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S-3 PERIODIC REPORT

From: _____
To: **130001 Jan 45**
Unit: **132400 Jan 45**
 Hq. CCR
Place: _____
 NIEDERBETSCHDORF (132333)
Date & Hour: **140100 Jan 45**

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MAPS:

France, 1/50,000

1. Our Front Line: **Overlay**
2. Location of Troops: **Overlay**
3. Information of Adjacent Units & Supporting Troops: **Omitted.**
4. Weather & Visibility: **Cold, VISIBILITY: Clear.**
5. Our Operations for the Period:

At 0015 A-94 reported in. At 0315 CC"R" began movement from HOELSCHLOCH (070355) to NIEDERBETSCHDORF (132333) and closed 0700A. At 0800 a coordinated attack of Inf and Tanks was launched astride RR from 119366 to a point S of HATTEN (180336) and then N to town of HATTEN and at 1600 entered town of HATTEN.

19, after effective smoke mission from 0800-0845 on town of HATTEN, Bn attacked N from 178330 at 0845 but made little progress. Withdrew S of RR at 1000 because of heavy artillery. Renewed attack at 1100 without success and withdrew at 1300 to vic 163330. At 1600 attack carried into SW portion of HATTEN.

47(-B) attacked in column and supported by fire from vic 174331 until 1400. At 1500 the assault carried into SW portion of HATTEN. After relief by Inf, returned to NIEDERBETSCHDORF for resupply. D-47 during darkness outposted to S of HATTEN.

A-94 screened advance of CC"R" and thereafter protected the right (S) flank and maintained contact with friendly troops on the right.

A-125 prepared bridge at 151331 for demolition and guarded it during darkness.

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6. Combat Efficiency: **Excellent**

7. Results of Operations:

Our troops occupied SW portion of HATTEN.
Our armor definitely destroyed three enemy tanks.

8. Tank and TD Status:

| Unit | Type Vehicle | Operationally Fit | UNDER Fit 24 hrs. | REPAIR Fit over 24 hrs. | Lost During Period |
|-----------|--------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>47</u> | M4 (75) | <u>17</u> | <u>6</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>7</u> |
| | M4 (76) | <u>14</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |
| | M5 | <u>18</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |

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From: _____
To: 140001 Jan 45
Unit: H142400 Jan 45
Place: _____
Date & Hour: NIEDERBETSCHDORF (H121332)

No. _____

151000 Jan 45

MAPS: 2

EUROPE, 1/50,000

1. Our Front Line:

Overlay.

2. Location of Troops:

Overlay.

3. Information of Adjacent Units & Supporting Troops:

Omitted.

4. Weather & Visibility:

Cold and clear.

5. Our Operations for the Period:

19 AIB and 2-115 Inf launched a coordinated attack from SW portion of HATTEN to clear out HATTEN. At end of period occupied area bounded by coordinates 173339-172336-176339-178336. Set up tight defense for night.

A-94 continued to protect right flank of CG"R" and Division. At 2100 reverted to control 94 Cav Sq.

A-125 prepared hasty mine fields before defense positions organized for the night.

47 Tank Bn supported by fire the attack of the Infantry. An additional platoon entered HATTEN to give close support

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6. Combat Efficiency:

Very satisfactory.

7. Results of Operations:

Considerable progress made in clearing HATTEN. Positions held, 2 by AT guns knocked out by our troops.

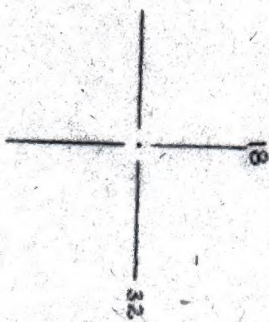
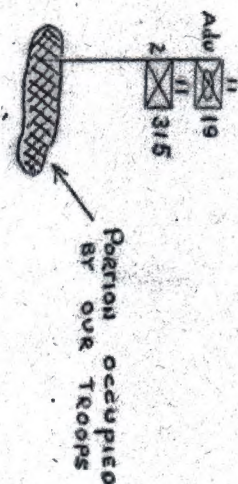
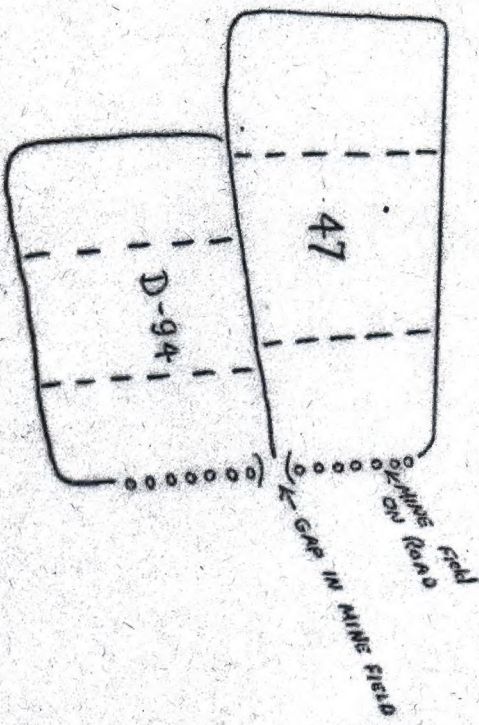
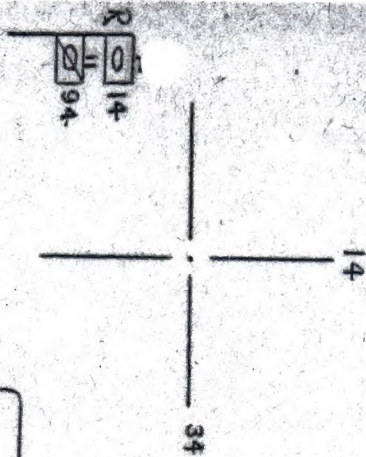
8. Tank and TD Status:

| <u>Unit</u> | <u>Type Vehicle</u> | <u>Operationally Fit</u> | <u>UNDER Fit 24 hrs.</u> | <u>REPAIR Fit over 24 hrs.</u> | <u>Lost During Period</u> |
|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>17</u> | <u>M4 (75)</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>7</u> | <u>2</u> |
| | <u>M4 (76)</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |
| | <u>M5</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>2</u> |

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HQ CCR'
141000 JAN 45
OVERLAY SHOWING DEFENSE
SETUP.

MAP: FRANCE, 1:25,000

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From: **150000 Jan 15**
To: **152400 Jan 15**
Unit: **Hq, CCR**
Place: **NIEDERBETSCHDORF (R233)**
Date & Hour: **160100 Jan 15**

No. **3**
MAPS: **EUROPE, 1/50,000**

1. Our Front Line: **Overlay.**
2. Location of Troops: **Overlay.**
3. Information of Adjacent Units & Supporting Troops: **Omitted.**
4. Weather & Visibility: **Cold, foggy. Visibility: zero.**

5. Our Operations for the Period:

19 AIB and 2-35 Inf resisted a strong counterattack from 142200 until 150130. Heavy used infantry, bazookas, flame throwing tanks, and artillery. From 0500 to 0630, successfully resisted five counterattacks of medium intensity. During morning reorganized and prepared to attack at 1500. At 1450 enemy attack of Battalion strength disrupted plan. Exceedingly bitter fighting resulted. Our counterattack, lasting until 2100, gained some ground.

A-24, attached at 1700, moved to HATTEH at 2100, to augment defense of the town.

A-125 engaged in widening and strengthening minefield.

47 Tk Bn: B-47 returned from attachment 79 Div in GAMBESHEM area. Supported by fire the defensive position of infantry in HATTEH. At 1500 fired in support of infantry counterattack. At 1700 elements assaulted enemy positions.

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From: 160001 Jan 45
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Unit: Hq, CCR
Place: NIEDERBETSCHDORF (H1233)
Date & Hour 170100 Jan 45

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MAPS: EUROPE, 1/50,000

1. Our Front Line: Overlay
2. Location of Troops: Overlay
3. Information of Adjacent Units & Supporting Troops: Omitted
4. Weather & Visibility: Cold, Clear, Ground haze.
5. Our Operations for the Period:

19 AIB and 2-315 Inf continued attack throughout the day to clear HATTEN in bitter house to house fighting. At 1500 enemy reinforcements had stopped the advance and at 1630 our troops fell back to positions originally held and prepared defenses for the night.

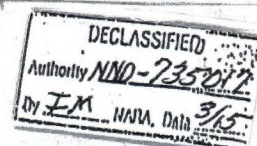
A-94 in HATTEN fought dismounted in house to house fighting.

A-125 continued to protect eastern approach to NIEDERBETSCHDORF.

47 Tk Bn supported attack of HATTEN by fire; 2 platoons in close support.

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6. Combat Efficiency: **Men are battle fatigued.**
7. Results of Operations: **Held present position against increased pressure.**
8. Tank and TD Status:

| Unit | Type Vehicle | Operationally Fit | UNDER REPAIR Fit 24 hrs. | Fit over 24 hrs. | Lost During Period |
|------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 47 | M4 (75) | 19 | 0 | 4 | 1 |
| | M4 (76) | 6 | 0 | 6 | 2 |
| | M5 | 16 | 0 | 2 | 0 |

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From: _____
To: 170000 Jan 15
Unit: 172400 Jan 15
Place: _____
Date & Hour: HIMMELBETSCHEN (M233)
180100 Jan 15

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MAPS: Europe, 1/50,000

1. Our Front Line: Overlay.
2. Location of Troops: Overlay.
3. Information of Adjacent Units & Supporting Troops: Omitted
4. Weather & Visibility: Cold, visibility: fair.
5. Our Operations for the Period:

19 AIR, 2-35 Inf, A-94 continued attack in HATTEN. At 0500 a strong counterattack in company strength from the E and in company strength, supported by 6 tanks, from the SE, was repulsed by 0800. At 1000 enemy counterattack forced troops to give up four houses. Our counterattack at 1230 regained lost houses. Maintained defensive positions for remainder of period against continuing pressure.

47 Tn Bn launched a diversionary attack to S and E of HATTEN to relieve pressure on the town. Heavy AT fire prevented tanks from cutting the road leading E from HATTEN.

A-125 continued to occupy defensive position E of HIMMELBETSCHEN.

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Unit: Hq. CCR
Place: _____
Date & Hour: 190000 Jan 15
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- Scale, 1/50,000
1. Our Front Line:
 2. Location of Troops: Overlay.
 3. Information of Adjacent Units & Supporting Troops:
 4. Weather & Visibility: Omitted.
 5. Our Operations for the Period and fair to clear.

19 AIR, 2-25 Inf, A-94 continued to hold defensive positions in
BATTEL. At 1800 enemy counterattacked from E with infantry and tanks
but withdrew after our artillery put down.

17 Tk B continued to support our elements in BATTEL.

A-13 continued to occupy defensive positions.

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6. Combat Efficiency: Satisfactory.

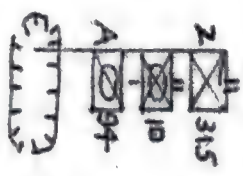
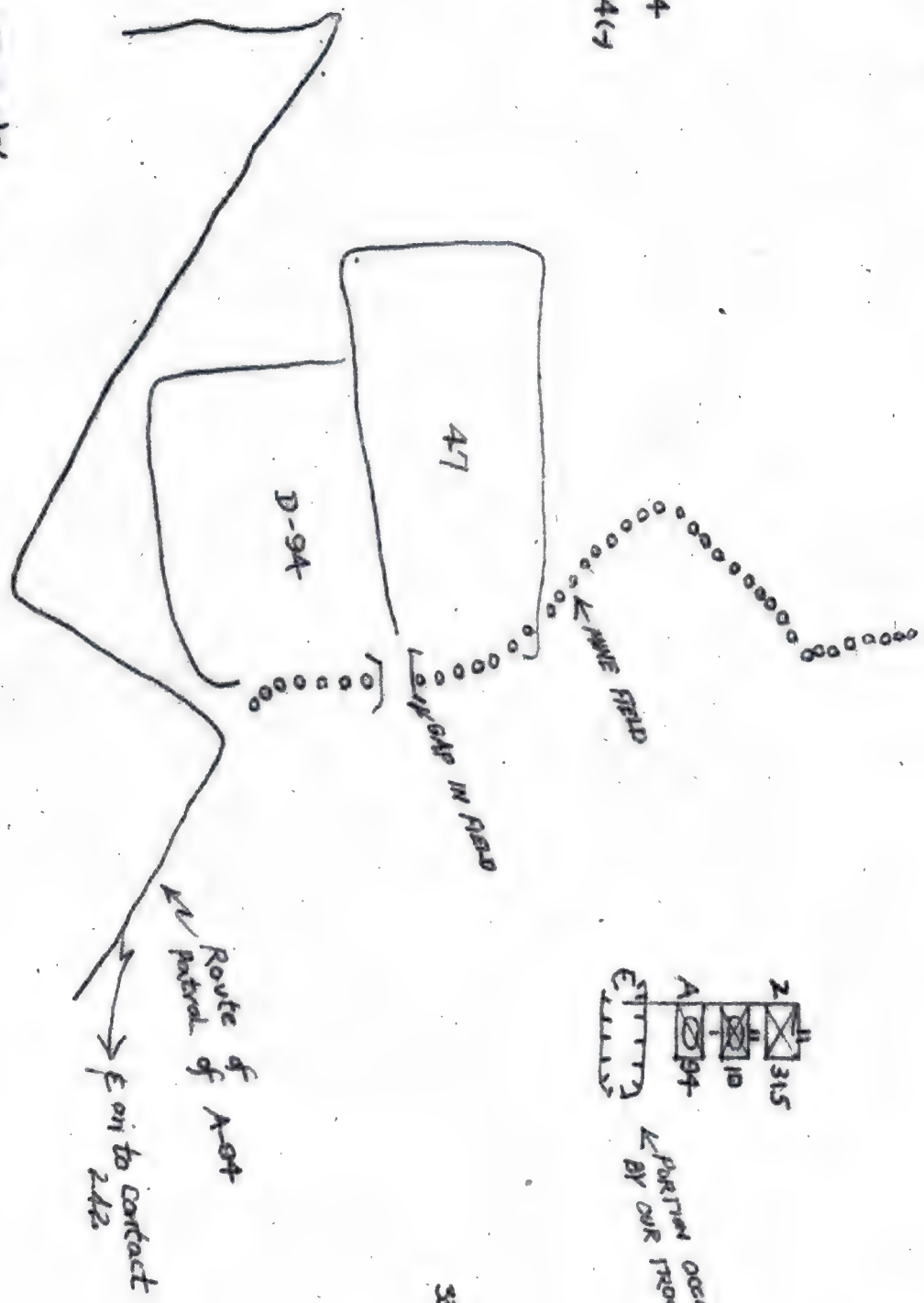
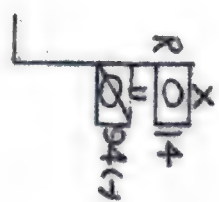
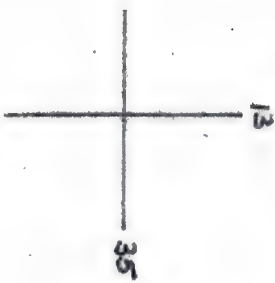
7. Results of Operations: Positions in Hatten were held.

8. Tank and TD Status:

| Unit | Type Vehicle | Operationally Fit | UNDER REPAIR Fit 24 hrs. | Fit over 24 hrs. | Lost During Period |
|------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 47 | M4 (75) | 32 | 2 | 7 | 0 |
| | M4 (76) | 5 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| | M5 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 2 |

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PORTION OCCUPIED BY OUR TROOPS



HQ CCR
161000 JAN 45
SITUATION OVERLAY

MAP
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From: 190001 Jan 15
To: 192100 Jan 15
Unit: Hq. CCR
Place: N1 GRID-TOWN OF (1233)
Date & Hour 200100 Jan 15

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MAPS: UNIP, 1/5,000

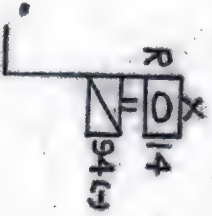
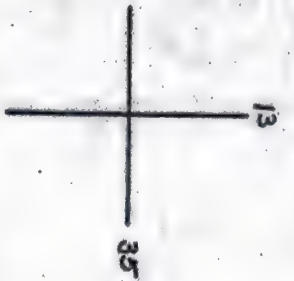
1. Our Front Line: Overlay.
2. Location of Troops: Overlay.
3. Information of Adjacent Units & Supporting Troops: Omitted.
4. Weather & Visibility: Cold and cloudy, visibility fair.
5. Our Operations for the Period:

19 AB, A-15 Inf, A-94 Cav continued to hold defensive position in Area against very heavy pressure from 0730 to 1335.

A7 It is continued to support by fire our troops in Area.

A-125 continued to maintain a defensive position of Area.

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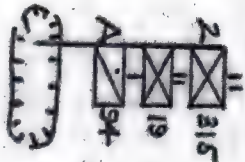


HQ CCR'
171000 JAN 45
SITUATION
OVERLAY

MAPS
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Route of A-94
Patrol of A-94
on to contact
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Portion occupied
by our troops



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6. Combat Efficiency:

Satisfactory.

7. Results of Operations:

Continued to hold positions in HATTEN.

8. Tank and TD Status:

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|------|--------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 47 | M4 (75) | | | | |
| | M4 (76) | 14 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| | M5 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 0 |
| | | 7 | 0 | 6 | 2 |

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Satisfactory.

6. Combat Efficiency: **Positions held in BATTEN.**

7. Results of Operations:

8. Tank and TD Status:

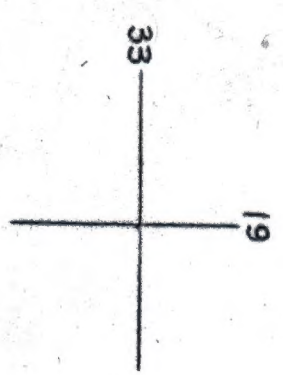
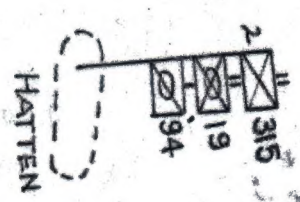
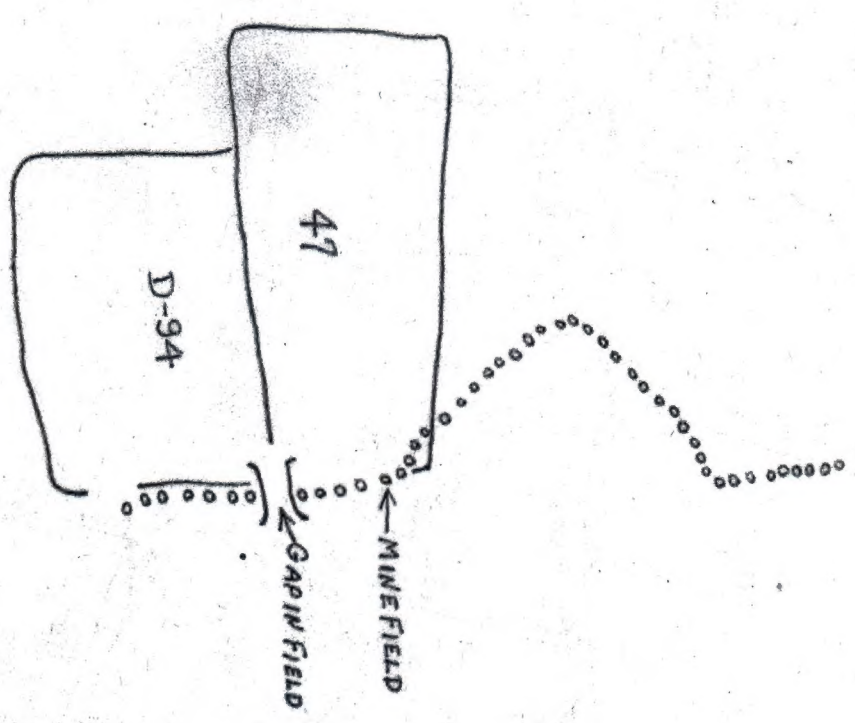
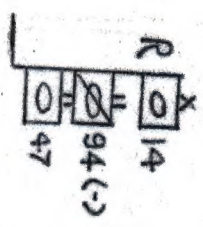
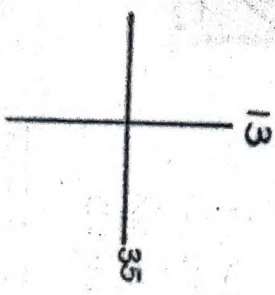
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|------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| | M4 (75) | 2 | 2 | 7 | 2 |
| | M4 (76) | 12 | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| | M5 | | | | |

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HQ CC'R
192400 JAN 45
SITUATION OVERLAY
MAP: 1/25,000

HEADQUARTERS CC"R"
14TH ARMORED DIVISION, APO 446
U S ARMY

20 January 1945

TO: Lt. Col. HOLDEN

You will withdraw all troops, vehicles, and equipment from your present position starting at 1800 hours tonight. Guides will meet troops at Railroad station (161328) and conduct them to rear areas. Movement must be rapid when started. Equipment, weapons, and vehicles that cannot be removed promptly must be destroyed prior to leaving your position.

Order of withdrawal: Wounded, foot troops, armor.
Five infantrymen will be left with each tank to protect the tanks during their withdrawal.

Three half-tracks will be dispatched to your position at dark to assist in removing casualties and surplus equipment.

You will inform me at my C.P. when you have cleared the Railroad station at 161328.

HUDELSO
Col.